PROJECT TITLE : SPECIFICATIONS / PROCESS ASSURANCE

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0. SPECIFICATIONS - OVERALL

0.1 New PME Standard Cigarette Diameter (7,95 mm)

0.2 Standard Moistures Packed Cigarettes

The PME production centers are about to adapt their specifications (previous diameter: 7,975 mm).
A request to adopt the new standard diameter has also been addressed to the Italian Monopoly.

0.3 Products Sold

The following number of products, manufactured by PME production centers or PME/ L & M licensees, are presently marketed in the main Western European countries:

Switzerland	39	Holland	17
Germany	24	Belgium	19
France	18	Luxemburg	14
		Italy	29

1. SPECIFICATIONS PER PRODUCTION CENTER

1.1 FTR Fabriques de Tabac Réunies SA Neuchâtel

- A brand protection manufacture, for sale in Ireland, has been made for SAT 011 Satine Filter.

- Filter paper FU-POV 40 L has been replaced by FU-POV 24 L on the Swiss diluted MLK-120, 34.1302, filter.

- A series of packing specs for products sold in Switzerland have been modified with regard to the new selling price and the Swiss warning text printed on the packs.

1.2 INM Intertaba S.p.A. Zola Predosa

1.3 PMH Philip Morris Holland, Eindhoven/Bergen op Zoom

- Project specs for project QUEEN have been distributed to the project group.

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1.4 PMG Ph. Morris Germany Munich/Berlin

- Project specs for project GAMMA have been distributed to the project group.

- Two product versions have been withdrawn:
  - MLF 192 Marlboro Filter, for standard export sale
  - BSL 001 Bond Street Lights, for sale in Italy

- The product version MLL 004/025 Marlboro Lights, for sale in Germany, will be produced with the existing cigarette MLY 02 Marlboro Lights, in the future.

- The DPM number printed on the pack of the German Marlboro MLB has been reduced from 13 to 12 mg.

1.5 WEL Weltab SA Bruxelles

- The specs, complete set, have been withdrawn for the product AVI Aviso, sold in Benelux.

- The Merit Filter, in soft pack version (MER 020 and 041), for sale in Belgium domestic and CMC, have been replaced by Merit Filter, in hinge lid pack version (MER 054 and 055).

1.6 PM UK Ph. Morris London

1.7 Licensees

- Italy:
  - Specs have been established for Marlboro, for the second step of Esther introduction (valid since 10.8.80).
  - MLK Marlboro King Size, soft pack, are packed in Bologna on AMF or on GD X 1 packers. The specs have been completed.

- Yugoslavia:
  A complete spec file has been prepared for project MARASCHINO, Chesterfield Filter Long, to be manufactured by Fabrika Duvana, Mostar.

- Finland:
  Specs for the re-engineered cigarettes MLL Marlboro Lights and BEN Belmont Menthol, manufactured by ATO Hyrylä, have been prepared.

- Holland:
  Complete specs files have been prepared for the L & M products, manufactured by ED. Laurens BV, Den Haag.

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- Germany:
  Complete specs have been prepared for the cigarettes Bali, manufactured by H. van Landewyck, Trier.

2. MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 Submissions to Suppliers

PFM 037 Semi-filter "SPA"	Supplier:	Job
PFP 027 Plug wrap HF 24 K 28	"	Glatz
PCF 001 Cello 335 MS 11	"	British Cellophane
PCF 007 " 430 MS/2/R	"	Wolff
PCF 022 " 330 MS/2/S	"	"
PCF 022 " 330 MS 501	"	La Cellophane
PCB 016 Gold inner frame	"	Waddingtons

2.2 Approvals by Suppliers

Baumgartner Papiers SA have approved the material specs for four types of filters, supplied to FTR.

3. PME STANDARD RECIPES

- A new recipe has been established for NW5-AC, Nigeria, and 7 new recipes have been established for L & M solutions, used in licensee production centers.

4. SPECIFICATIONS ON EDP

The project has been outlined to Bob Smith, in the presence of Gilbert Etter. Bob Smith is making an overall PME review of the needs regarding EDP applications.

He thinks that our application should be a basis for many others and linked to them from the very beginning - which is, in a way, against our previous idea that an application "specs on EDP" might be created more or less independantly from other PME applications. Upon Bob Smith's initiative, another discussion has then taken place with Mike Davis, EDP specialist from PM Richmond and familiar with Operations applications. Also present was Dave McGill, working on PME's MRP Materials Requirements Planning application.

Mike Davis hopes to issue a report with recommendations within 6-8 weeks.

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5. PROCESS ASSURANCE

5.1 AccuRay

The problem of AccuRay limits is still pending.

5.2 NTM Non-Tobacco Material Weights in Specifications

A new PME Process Assurance Method, number 702, has been issued, covering the "Determination of the quantity of glue on the tipping paper". The production centers are running the corresponding tests, in view of the determination of PME standard NTM weights.

5.4 Dilution

The inventory of all results from January, 1979, to May, 1980, from all production centers, will be distributed. A new presentation will be prepared which will include physical results as well as results of the smoke analyses, regarding the DPM, SN, Co, and No, values.

5.6 Burley Treatment

A report on the present Burley treatment systems within PME will be issued.

5.7 Kitchen and Pre- and After-cutting Solutions

The report on this subject is still on the working list.

5.8 Production of Starch Glue

This report is also to be established.

5.9 Tobacco Weights

Following the study regarding the differences in tobacco weights (MLF MER MPH MLK MLB, Jan. to May, 1980), a 6-page report has been distributed to all QC managers, on 7.8.1980.

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5.10 New Processing Depts. PMG Berlin and PMH Bergen op Zoom

A first meeting of a small working group has taken place in Berlin, on 11/12.8.1980. The objective was to define a general common idea from the QA point of view. Some information is still outstanding. A final report will then be written.

5.11 Physical Methods On Tobacco

The following methods will be issued shortly:

- No 210 Determination of the tobacco moisture by oven volatiles
- No 211 Determination of the filling power of tobacco
- No 212 Sieve test

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